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August 13, 1982

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Joel Blumstein, Esquire
U. S. Environmental Protection Agency
Region I
J. F. Kennedy Federal Building
Boston, MA 02203

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REGION I OFFICE OF REGIONAL COUNSEL

Re: Picillo Waste Disposal Site - Coventry, Rhode Island; Request for Information

Dear Mr. Blumstein:

This follows our telephone conversation on Tuesday, August 10, in which we discussed Olin's compliance with EPA's Request for Information in connection with the above-captioned matter.

As you and I-agreed, I am herewith providing you with the shipping documents, invoices, service orders and other similar information in connection with Olin's shipment of chemical wastes to the Capuano Brothers landfill in Cranston, Rhode Island. Olin made two shipments of chemical wastes to the State of Rhode Island and these were to the Capuano landfill in August and September, 1977.

The above shipments were made through Chemical Waste Removal, Inc. of Bridgeport, Connecticut. As noted above, Olin intended that the chemical wastes, encompassed by the attached documents, to be disposed of at the Capuano landfill in Cranston, Rhode Island. We first became aware of the apparent disposal at the Picillo site when Olin received a telephone call from Mr. John Leo of the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management.

For your convenience, I have attached two appendices in which I have included the above documents. Appendix A includes a service order, purchase invoice approval, Chemical Waste Removal, Inc. invoice and a shipping order to Capuano Brothers regarding the August shipment of chemical waste; Appendix B contains similar documentation in connection with our shipment of waste materials in September, 1977, to the Capuano landfill.

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In reviewing our purchase orders and related invoices, for the period January 1, 1974 to and including December 31, 1977, we did determine that chemical wastes were shipped to New Jersey for final disposal via two companies, S. W. S. Associates and Atlas, Inc.; both these companies were owned and operated by Mr. Earl Weigel of Bloomsberry, New Jersey. We have information to suggest that some of these wastes may have been disposed of at the Chemical Control Corporation site in Elizabeth, New Jersey; however, our best information is that all of these were incinerated by Chemical Control.

Additionally, we idientified two purchase orders (Purchase Orders RC-43844 and RC-43863; see Appendix C) concerning the disposal of a quantity of swimming pool chemicals with Chemical Control Corporation.

Purchase Order RC-43844 relates to a shipment of HTH® (calcium hypochlorite), delivered to Atlas, Inc. for final disposal with Chemical Control. We, however, also have some information suggesting that this material was taken to Rickel Brothers in Bergenfield, New Jersey rather than Chemical Control. In any event, the material consisted of 19 cases of calcium hypochlorite, a swimming pool and water purification compound. Chemical Control also may have been used by Olin during 1978 for disposal of broken containers of and off specification calcium hypochlorite.

Purchase Order RC-43863 concerns the disposal of 3,000 lbs. of trichloro-s-triazinetrione, also an Olin swimming pool chemical, in September, 1978. The material was located at a warehouse in Patterson, New Jersey and our records only show that Chemical Control picked up this material for disposal but does not indicate where the final disposal took place.

Finally, I have verified the foregoing with Olin personnel responsible for chemical disposal and it is their best recollection that Olin made no other shipments, other than what is described above, to the State of Rhode Island or with the companies and/or individuals listed on page 2 of Mr. Sutton's July 22 letter to Dr. Heying. In short, the foregoing and enclosed materials represents all the transactions, involving chemical waste disposal, between Olin and waste disposal sites or landfills in the State of Rhode Island and/or with the companies disclosed to us in the above correspondence.

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Please feel free to call me at my New Haven office if you wish to discuss any of the foregoing or enclosures further.

Sincerely,

Allyn Myles Carnam

Counsel-Regulatory Affairs

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cc: Daniel J. Schatz, Esquire

Special Assistant Attorney General

Appendix A

Appendix A

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Re: Picillo Waste Disposal Site - Coventry, Rhode Island; Request for Information

Dear Mr. Blumstein:

This confirms my attempt to reach you at your office on Tuesday, July 27, 1982, in response to Mr. Sutton's July 22 letter to Theodore Heying, Ph.D., of the Olin Corporation of New Haven, Connecticut, regarding the above-captioned matter. Your office advised me that you were on vacation for the balance of this week and since I will be on vacation until August 9, I do want an opportunity to discuss Mr. Sutton's letter with you before Olin submits a formal response.

As you may know, Olin has submitted data and information, similar to what you requested, to the State of Rhode Island through Mr. John P. Leo of the State Department of Environmental Management. A copy of this letter is enclosed herewith for your information and review. I also will plan to call you when I return from my vacation on August 9 to discuss Olin's formal response to EPA's July 22 letter.

Sincerely,

Allyn Myles Carnam

Counsel-Regulatory Affairs

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John P. Leo, Engineer c/o Picillo Site Coventry, Rhode Island

Re: Picillo Property
Coventry, Rhode Island

Dear Mr. Leo:

This is to confirm a site visit, to the above-captioned property, by R. S. Hendey of Olin Corporation and the undersigned, at your invitation, for the purpose of facilitating the identification of any material generated by the Olin Corporation or disposed of by Olin, found at the above-captioned site. For the record, and as we discussed during our visit, Olin's internal, waste disposal records do not reflect any chemicals, waste materials or any other compounds being shipped to the above-captioned location. Our records, however, do indicate two shipments of materials to the Capuano Brothers landfill in Cranston, Rhode Island.

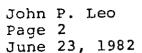
Both of the shipments to Rhode Island were made through Chemical Waste Removal, Inc., Bridgeport, Connecticut. The first shipment occurred on or about August 31, 1977 and the second shipment was made, also through Chemical Waste Removal, on September 29, 1977. Our records do not specifically identify the materials sent to Cranston; however, the waste do fall into three general categories:

- 1. HTH® samples (calcium hypochlorite)
- 2. Isocyanates
- 3. Polyols

During the course of our site visit to the Picillo property, we inspected two 55 gallon drums which you believed may have originated at the Olin Corporation. You also noted two other containers either sent to or from Olin in New Haven, Connecticut. These two containers

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consisted of a 5 gallon pail with the designation Emery 9877-U fatty acid and a smaller container apparently delivered by the Humphrey Chemical Company, North Haven, Connecticut to Olin in New Haven.

I have been able to develop some additional information for you in connection with the foregoing and I am also providing you herewith product data sheets and bulletins, material safety data sheets and other identified data and information concerning the three compounds described above as well as other chemicals for which you requested physical property data.

First, in connection with the material apparently mailed to Olin from the Humphrey Chemical Company, I have spoken with our Sam Trotz, Ph.D., and he advises me that it is likely that the material sent by Humphrey, in the four small ampules, is 2,4-difluoronitrobenzene. This compound is an intermediate in the manufacture of difluoroaniline, itself an intermediate in the manufacture of an oral drug preparation manufactured and distributed by Merck Company. For your information, I am herewith enclosing Olin's Material Safety Data Sheet for 2,4-difluoronitrobenzene.

Secondly, we have yet to identify the waxy, viscous light brown material found in the 5 gallon pail. However, I will still continue to interview appropriate personnel in New Haven to attempt to ascertain the nature of this material. If I am able to develop some more definitive information on the identity of this substance, I will contact you immediately.

Thirdly, in connection with the isocyanate material which may be present on-site, I am herewith providing you with the following information:

- (a) Technical data and information furnished us by the Upjohn Polymer Chemicals Company concerning the polymeric isocyanurate compounds we purchase from them. This information and materials include two technical bulletins and a material safety data sheet.
- (b) Olin's material safety data sheet, product data bulletin and product storage and handling bulletin for our isocyanate family of chemicals.
- (c) A general Olin bulletin on toluene diisocyanate (750-008).

Fourth, I am enclosing herewith some general data and information concerning our polyol compounds manufactured by Olin. This information will provide you with the relevant physical properties for all our polyol products:

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- (a) material safety data sheet and application data bulletin for Poly-G® 32-56
- (b) material safety data sheet and application data bulletin for Poly-G $\odot$  71-530
- (c) material safety data sheet and product data bulletin for Thermolin® RF-230

Fifth, I am also herewith enclosing for your information and use Olin's material safety data sheet for calcium hypochlorite. <u>Inter alia</u>, this information includes a description of the physical properties of calcium hypochlorite.

As we discussed, I found it very difficult to precisely identify the nature of the material in any of the drums or containers you believe have come from Olin. We also discussed the fact that Olin's records, in addition to not reflecting any shipments to the Picillo Property, only indicate, in a general way, the nature of the materials (see description above) sent to the Capuano Brothers' landfill in Cranston, Rhode Island. With this as background, I suspect you can appreciate the difficulty we are having in identifying the substances involved with any degree of precision. Nonetheless, we are herewith providing you with data and information, concerning the physical properties, of the two main chemical categories or families described above, viz; the isocyanates and polyols.

I am also compelled to point out that in addition to any of the materials found at the Picillo property not being sent directly to this site; we, as you might expect, have no way of knowing whether any of the materials originally sent to Cranston, by Olin, are, in fact, still in the original container(s), or whether other compounds have been substituted for or reacted with these materials. I am sure you have dealt with this potential problem in the past but I think it is sufficiently important to raise it with you as it may apply to the containers inspected by us.

I hope the foregoing has been helpful and the enclosures in someway facilitate your final disposal of the above waste materials. We will continue, at this end, to seek to generate any additional information which may be of assistance to you. However, I trust you will feel free to contact me in New Haven or R. S. Hendey in Stamford in connection with anything we discussed during our site visit on Tuesday, June 22, or any other related matter.

'John P. Leo Page 4 June 23, 1982

Mr. Hendey and I again want to thank you and your associates, especially Mr. Brodd, for all the help and information you provided us during our visit and again, we trust you will feel free to call upon us in the future if we can be of any additional assistance to you.

Sincerely,

Allyn Myles Carnam

Counsel-Regulatory Affairs

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#### SECTION I - IDENTIFICATION

CHEMICAL NAME & SYNONYMS 2,4-Difluoronitrober	izene	
CHEMICAL FAMILY Fluoroaromatic	FORMULA C6H3NO2F2	TRADE NAME 2,4-DFNB
PESCRIPTION Yellow liquid		CAS NO. 70-34-8

# SECTION II - NORMAL HANDLING PROCEDURES

PRECAUTIONS TO BE TAKEN IN HANDLING AND STORAGE

Do not get in eyes, on skin or on clothing. Do not take internally. Avoid breathing mist or vapor. Store in a cool, dry place away from oxidizing materials or flames.

CORROSIVE ACTION ON MATERIALS (Metals, Plastic, Rubber, Etc.)					
PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT VENTILATION REQUIREMENTS					
	Goggles Required Coveralls and impervious boots	Local exhaust ventilation required where exposures to mist or vapors might occur.			

# **SECTION III – HAZARDOUS INGREDIENTS**

BASIC MATERIAL	APPROX.	OSHA PEL	LD 50	LC 50	SIGNIFICANT EFFECTS
2,4-difluoronitro- benzene	95%min				

# SECTION IV - FIRE AND EXPLOSION HAZARD DATA

FLASH POINT METHOD	>200°F TOC	OSHA CLASSIFICATION Class IIIB Combustible liquid	FLAMMABLE EXPLOSIVE LIMITS	LOWER	UPPER		
EXTINGUISHING MEDIA Water spray, dry chemical, foam, carbon dioxide. Cool fire- exposed containers with water.							
SPECIAL FIRE HAZARD & FIRE FIGHTING PROCEDURES USE NIOSH/MSHA approved self-contained breathing apparatus where this material is involved in a fire.							

#### SECTION V - HEALTH HAZARD DATA

THRESHOLD L	IMIT VALUE None established.
	over exposure Cyanosis, tremors and convulsions, irritation to eyes, skin cous membranes.
	EMERGENCY FIRST-AID PROCEDURES
SKIN	Wash with water for 15 minutes, call a physician.
EYES	Wash with water for 15 minutes, call a physician.
INGESTION	Drink water, induce vomiting by sticking finger down throat, call a physician.
INHALATION	Remove victim to fresh air, call a physician.

### SECTION VI - TOXICOLOGY (Product)

ACUTE ORAL LD 50 273 mg/kg (mice)

CARCINOGENIC

Not known to be carcinogenic

MUTAGENIC

Positive Ames test

ACUTE DERMAL LD 50 ~375 mg/kg (rabbit)

EYERRITATION Irritant

PRIMARY SKIN IRRITATION Irritant

ACUTE INHALATION LC 50 > 1.29 mg/liter of inspired

air for 1 hr. (this value represents the maximum attainable concentration).

PRINCIPAL ROUTES OF ABSORPTION

Oral, dermal.

EFFECTS OF ACUTE EXPOSURE Cyanosis, tremors, convulsions, irritation to eyes, skin and mucous membranes.

EFFECTS OF CHRONIC EXPOSURE

Not known.

# SECTION VII — SPILL OR LEAKAGE PROCEDURES (Control Procedures)

#### STEPS TO BE TAKEN IN CASE MATERIAL IS RELEASED OR SPILLED

Wear NIOSH/MSHA approved self-contained breathing apparatus. Follow OSHA regulations for respirator use. (See 29 CFR 1910.134). Wear goggles, coveralls and impervious gloves and boots. Add non-combustible dry absorbent, shovel or sweep up and place in an approved DOT container and seal. Flush any residual material with water. Wash all contaminated clothing before reuse.

In the event of a massive spill, use the emergency phone number shown on the front of this sheet.

#### WASTE DISPOSAL METHOD

Dispose of clean up debris, contaminated material and residues, in a manner approved for this material. Consult appropriate federal, state and local regulatory agencies to ascertain proper disposal procedures.

#### SECTION VIII - REACTIVITY DATA

STABLE X UNSTABLE AT boiling pt. "F

HAZARDOUS POLYMERIZATION MAY OCCUR WILL NOT OCCUR

CONDITIONS TO AVOID

INCOMPATABILITY (Material To Avoid)

Oxidizing materials.

HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS

Hydrogen fluoride and nitrogen oxides at 240°C

#### SECTION IX - PHYSICAL DATA

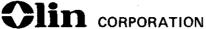
MELTING POINT 9.750C	VAPOR PRESSURE	VOLATILES
BOILING POINT 4040F	SOLUBILITY IN WATER insoluble	EVAPORATION RATE
SPECIFIC GRAVITY(H20=1) 1.442	pH	VAPOR DENSITY(Air = 1)
@ 25°C		

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#### SECTION I - IDENTIFICATION

CHEMICAL NAME & SYNONYMS Toluene Diisocyanate 80-20					
CHEMICAL FAMILY ISOCYADATE		FORMULA C9H6N2O2	TRADE NAME TDI ~80-20		
Clear water white to pale yellow liquid with sharp pungent odor.		CAS NO. 26471-62-5	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		

#### SECTION II - NORMAL HANDLING PROCEDURES

PRECAUTIONS TO BE TAKEN IN HANDLING AND STORAGE Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Do not take internally. Avoid breathing mist or vapor. STORAGE: Protect against physical damage. Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated location, away from areas where the fire hazard may be acute. Outside or detached storage is preferred. If stored in tanks it should be blanketed with an inert gas such as nitrogen or with dry air. Separate from oxidizing materials. CORROSIVE ACTION ON MATERIALS (Metals, Plantic, Rubber, Etc.) PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT **VENTILATION REQUIREMENTS** Eyes Goggles Glaves As required to keep airborne Rubber, NBR or PVA. Other concentrations below TLV. Coveralls, impervious footwear.

#### SECTION III - HAZARDOUS INGREDIENTS

BASIC MATERIAL	approx. %	OSHA PEL	LD 50	LC 50	SIGNIFICANT EFFECTS
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#### SECTION IV - FIRE AND EXPLOSION HAZARD DATA

FLASH POINT 2700F	OSHA CLASSIFICATION	FLAMMABLE LOWER UPPER EXPLOSIVE					
	L Class ITTR Combustible liquid	LIMITS					
exposed containers co	exposed containers cool.						
SPECIAL FIRE HAZARD & FIRE FIGHTING PROCEDURES Use NIOSH/MSHA approved self-contained breathing apparatus where this material is involved in a fire.							
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#### SECTION V - HEALTH HAZARD DATA

THRESHOLD :	O.02 ppm					
SYMPTOMS OF LITTLE TO TESTITATO	oven exposure Skin, eye and mucous membrane irritant. May cause burns and n to lungs, labored breathing. Allergic sensitization to skin and ry tract:					
	EMERGENCY FIRST-AID PROCEDURES					
SKIN	Flush thoroughly with water for 15 minutes. Call a physician.					
EYES	Flush thoroughly with water for 15 minutes, Call a physician.					
INGESTION	Do not induce vomiting, give plenty of water to drink. Call a physician.					
INHALATION	Remove victim to fresh air. Notify physician of exposure. If breathing is labored, see a physician.					

#### SECTION VI - TOXICOLOGY (Product

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ACUTE ORAL LD 50 5.8g/kg (rats)	CARCINOGENIC Not known to be carcinogenic MUTAGENIC Not known to be mutagenic			
ACUTE DERMAL LD 50 > 2g/kg (Tabbits)	EYE IRRITATION Irritation and/or burns. PRIMARY SKIN IRRITATION Irritation and/or burns			
ACUTE INHALATION LC 50 > a nominal concentration of 2 mg/liter of inspired air for 1 hour.				

PRINCIPAL ROUTES OF ASSORPTION

Inhalation, oral.

EFFECTS OF ACUTE EXPOSURESkin, eye & mucous membrane irritant. May cause burns to GI tract, irritation to lungs, labored breathing. Allergic sensitization of skin & resp. tract. EFFECTS OF CHRONIC EXPOSURE Damage to lungs, allergic sensitization. Pre-employment physical should exclude persons with recurring pulmonary disease and/or allergic history.

#### SECTION VII - SPILL OR LEAKAGE PROCEDURES (Control Procedures)

#### STEPS TO BE TAKEN IN CASE MATERIAL IS RELEASED OR SPILLED

Wear NIOSH/MSHA approved self-contained breathing apparatus, or air supplied respirator. Follow OSHA regulations for respirator use. (See 29 CFR 1910.134). Wear goggles, coveralls and impervious gloves and boots. Add dry absorbent, sweep up material and place in an approved DOT container and seal. Keep container cool. Clean any remaining material with a neutralizing solution, 10% Isopropyl Alcohol, 85% Watar, 5% Ammonia. Wash all contaminated clothing before reuse.

In the event of a massive spill, use the emergency phone number shown on the front of this sheet.

WASTE DISPOSAL METHOD

Dispose of clean-up debris, contaminated material and residues, in a manner approved for this material. Consult appropriate Federal, State and Local regulatory agencies to ascertain proper disposal procedures.

#### SECTION VIII - REACTIVITY DATA

STABLE X	UNSTABLE AT °C °F		BUOGRASAH	MAY OCCUR X		
			<del></del>	POLYMERIZATION	WILL NOT OCCUR	
CONDITIONS	TO AVOID TT		_			
CO14D1   10143	10 VACID MSE	er or	incompat	tible mate	erials in a closed s	ystem.
COMBITTORS	10 MOID WEE	er or	incompat	tible mate	erials in a closed s	ystem.
			•		,	ystem.
INCOMPATAS	ILITY (Material To	o Avoid)	Acids,	bases and	,	

#### SECTION IX - PHYSICAL DATA

MELTING POINT 53-56°F	VAPOR PRESSURE 0.01	VOLATILES
BOILING POINT 4840F	SOLUBILITY IN WATER	EVAPORATION RATE
SPECIFIC GRAVITY(H <sub>2</sub> 0=1) 1.22	рН	VAPOR DENSITY(Air = 1)

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